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FROM THE REVEREND WALTER MAGOWAN. 1

ST. JAMES'S 3d Feby 1775

SIR

Yours of the 30th. Decmr. I received the 15th. Ult: and should have sent the inclosed sooner, had I not expected to have received the Cash for the Tickets sold by me;² it is not in my power at present to advise you of the names of those who had them, because the gentimn. to whom I delivered them sold them out afterwards, but shall ascertain them by the time that I come over to see you which shall be soon. I have inclosed two Orders one on Mr. Ross, the other on Mr. Gibson,³ being apprehensive that Mr. Ross may be out of the way, as I have not heard from him for three months past; by Mr. Ross's advertisement, the Debts contracted by him on Accot. of the Company are to be discharged by Mr. Gibson, who I hope will accept my Order, in case of his Absence.

I hope you'll be kind enough to excuse my troubling you with the Order, which I woul'd not have done, if I had the Money by me. With my Compts. to your Lady, Mr. & Mrs. Custis, I am

Sir Your Much obliged Hble. Servt. WALTER MAGOWAN

1 Of St. James Parish, Anne Arundel County, Md. Washington's journals show that Mr. Magowan was a frequent visitor at Mount Vernon.

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2 The Reve. Mr. MagowanDr 1773. Jan. 6 To 12 Tickets in the Delaware Lottery, belonging to Lord Sterlg. Numbd. from 5264 to 5275. Incluse a 10 dollrs. £8336 — ea & dispos'd of by you . pr. Letter ContraCr. 1775 By your order on Mr. Hcctr. Ross Jany for 120. Dollars . . £36.0.0 (Washington's Ledger.) 3 SIR Please pay to Colo. George Washington or his order the Sum of one hundred and twenty Dollars on demand, and with the Same Debit the Accot. of Sir Your Hble. Servt. WALTER MAGOWAN 3d. Feby 3775ToMR. JOHN GIBSON Mercht, in Colchester